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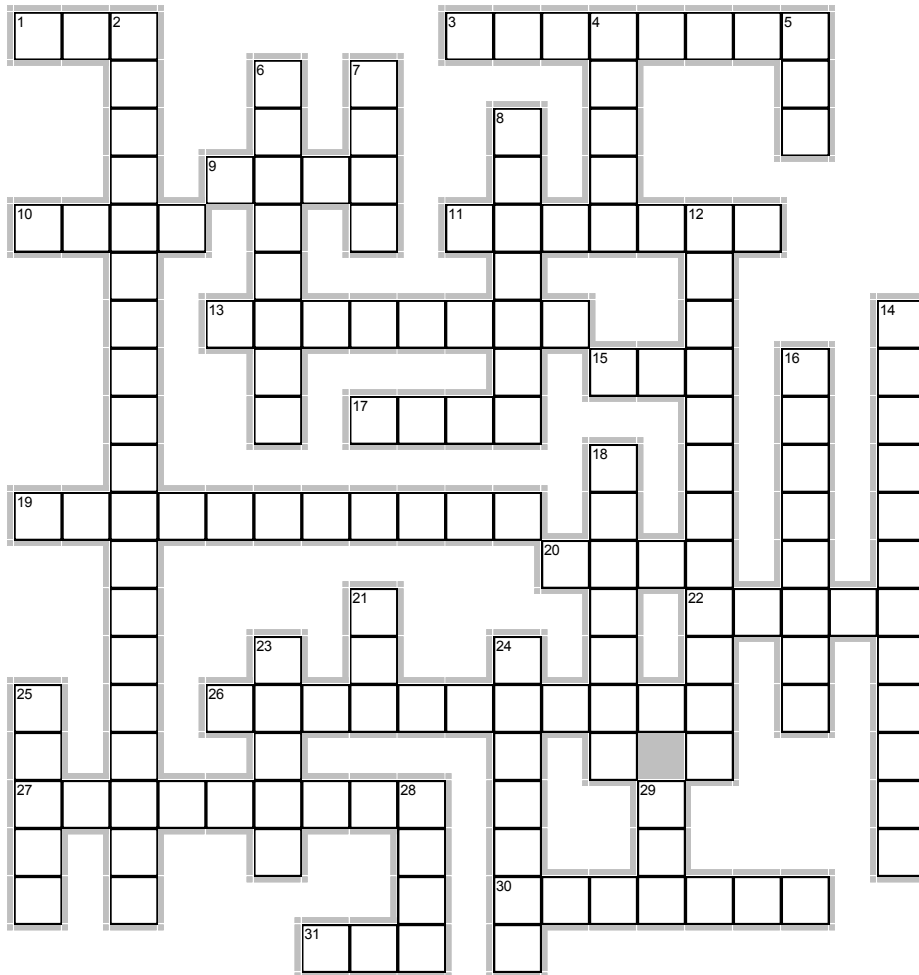


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Wow! That's a long name for a park. But it's a very long park on a very long river! Did you know that the Missouri River measures over 2600 miles from its source in the mountains of Montana to the Mississippi near St. Louis? That's longer than the distance from New York City to Los Angeles!

For many years, people have tried to tame the Missouri; part of it has been narrowed and deepened to carry barges, and part of it is backed up behind six big dams. Only one-third of the Missouri is still really a river, so Congress decided that some of it should be protected as one of America's Wild and Scenic Rivers. Our congressional representatives gave 98 miles of the Missouri that long name and put the National Park Service in charge of it. The National Park Service manages and protects the Missouri River with the help of many other departments of our state and federal governments.

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Across

1. arrow launcher
3. 20 mile tributary
9. Park's code letters
10. Island near Brookey Bottom
11. Whiskered swimmer
13. America's longest river
15. 2000 pounds
17. Major flood month
19. Reservation S of river (2 wds)
20. Hazard to navigation
22. Prairie bovine
26. North bank state (2 wds)
27. Owners of the park
30. Historic fort

Down

2. Act of Congress (4 wds)
4. Cliff
5. Conjunction
6. Popular paddle sport
7. Flier
8. Grassland
12. Famous Ponca chief (2 wds)
14. reservation N of river (2 wds)
16. South bank state
18. MNRR headquarters city
21. cleverness
23. East end state park
24. Flat hat wearers
25. Personnel
28. Cease
29. Life jacket

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